

President Obama's Health Care Plan is

Wrong Direction for America

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Congressman Jerry Moran issued the following statement after passage of H.R. 4872, the health care reconciliation bill, which modifies the bill that President Obama signed into law on Tuesday. The reconciliation measure passed the U.S. House of Representatives by a 220-207 vote on Thursday evening. Moran opposed this measure.

“Over the past year, I have relentlessly argued against the health care reform proposals led by President Obama and Speaker Pelosi because I believe their plans will take America in the wrong direction and be extremely harmful to Kansans,” said Moran.

“I opposed this plan because it will grow government at an unprecedented scale and fails to reduce health care costs. Instead of working to improve our current system and control costs, this plan will impose job-killing tax hikes on our fragile economy, increase our growing deficit, and cut Medicare by more than half a trillion dollars. It pushes unfunded mandates onto Kansas and other states that can't absorb the costs. At a time when we need to be focused on job development, I am worried that these new so-called 'reforms' will exacerbate our budget

problems in Kansas for many years to come.”

“I will continue to fight against this destructive bill that threatens the future prosperity of our state and our nation. On Monday, I introduced legislation (H.R. 4901) to repeal this flawed health care plan. Only by repealing this budget-busting mistake can we then institute true reforms that are backed by the will of the American people and lower health care costs for families and businesses in Kansas and across the nation.”

Moran is Chairman of the House Rural Health Care Coalition and co-founder of the Congressional Community Pharmacy Coalition. View Congressman Moran’s speeches, statements, editorials and other health care reform materials at www.jerrymoran.house.gov/health-care-reform